

Autism Resources in Fairfax County

Compiled by the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board



Fairfax County Public School Resources

- **Parent Resource Center:** www.fcps.edu/ccp/prc/, 703-204-3941
Dunn Loring Administrative Center, 2334 Gallows Road, Dunn Loring, VA 22027

Community Resources

- **Employment**
 - **Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS):** <http://www.vadrs.org/>
 - Contact Jessica Stehle at 571-244-9997, 11150 Fairfax Boulevard, Suite 300, Fairfax, Virginia 22030. DARS operates a vocational rehabilitation program that helps individuals with disabilities get ready for, find, and keep a job.
- **Recreational**
 - **Eddie's Club, Inc.:** www.eddiesclub.org, 703-304-2330
 - Nonprofit geared towards giving boys and girls ages 4 to 21 that have any form of disability an opportunity to participate in a supervised, volunteered-based, activity and recreational program.
 - **Department of Therapeutic Recreation:** www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rec/trs/, 703-324-5532
 - Saturday Leisure Program, Motor Skills Program and Funtastic Friday (drop-in leisure program for children on the Autism spectrum and their families).
 - **Adaptive Aquatics:** 703-324-8565, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ada/ada-aquatics.htm
- **Respite**
 - **McLean Bible Church:** Contact Stephanie Reding at 703-770-8654, www.mcleanbible.org
 - Respite group (Friday evening and Saturday during the day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
 - **Hartwood Foundation:** www.hartwoodfoundation.com, 703-914-3901
 - Fee-for-service respite provider for persons who have a primary diagnosis of intellectual disability
- **ID Waiver/DD Waiver**
 - Families of children with Autism should apply for a DD waiver. Those with an ID diagnosis should apply for an ID waiver. For Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board intake information, call 703-324-4400.
- **Family Support**
 - **McLean Bible Church:**
 - Parent support group meets last Sunday of the month from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
 - Sibling only events (co-ed ages 7-12), contact Heather Coleman at 703-790-3832
 - **Parents of Autistic Children of Northern Virginia:** <http://www.poac-nova.org>, 703-391-2251, Concerns@POAC-NoVA.org
 - Support meetings held third Saturday of each month

Autism Organizations

- **The Arc of Northern Virginia:** www.thearcofnova.org, 703-532-3214
- **Autism Society of America, National Office:** www.autism-society.org, 301-657-0881
- **Autism Society of Northern Virginia:** <http://www.asnv.org>, 703-495-8444, executivedirector@asn timer.org
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Websites with current Autism research

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- Focus: Advocating for people with autism; providing support for their families and caregivers; ensuring access to education, vocational training, housing, transportation, recreation and other lifespan needs.
- **National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Autism:**
<http://www.nichd.nih.gov/health/topics/autism>
 - Focus: Providing easy access to the most current information about NICHD research projects, publications, news releases and other activities related to autism and similar disorders.
- **Organization for Autism Research:** www.researchautism.org
 - Focus: Funding applied research and providing feedback on research to the Autism community.

*Fairfax County is committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in all county programs, services and activities.
To request this information in an alternate format, call 703-324-7000, TTY 711.*